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IN 15973

TO : DIRECTOR

FROM :

ACTION: DPD (1-2-3-4-5-6-7-8-9-10)

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REF: 044 (IN 15676)

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1. SHUTOFF VALVES AND FLOATS HAVE BEEN REMOVED FROM ARTICLE 358 AND VISUALLY INSPECTED. THEY MOVE FREELY WITHOUT ANY BINDING AND LOOK TO BE OK. GROUND CHECKS PRIOR TO REMOVAL WITH ENGINE RUNNING PROVES THAT SUMP TANK IS BEING REFILLED AT A RAPID RATE WHICH FURTHER INDICATES THAT BOTH VALVES ARE FUNCTIONING PROPERLY.

2. SHUTOFF VALVES, FLOATS AND SWITCHES SHIPPED FROM [] HAVE NOT ARRIVED. PROPOSE TO REMOVE OUTBOARD VENT TUBES REINSTALL SHUTOFFS, FLOATS AND SWITCHES. WILL CLIMB TO ALTITUDE TWICE ON TEST HOP AND DESCEND TO THOROUGHLY CHECK LOW LEVEL FLIGHT.

3. SINCE VALVES ARE KNOWN TO BE WORKING PROPERLY DURING CLIMB OUT AND PERIODS OF HIGH FUEL CONSUMPTION STRONGLY SUSPECT THAT PROBLEM IN THIS CASE WAS CAUSED BY ICE BLOCKING THE OUTBOARD

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4. IF TEST HOP IS SUCCESSFUL AND LOW LEVEL LIGHT DOES NOT ILLUMINATE WOULD THEN CONSIDER ARTICLE IN COMMISSION.

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5. THE ONLY OTHER ALTERNATIVE IS FOR TO RESHIP THE PARTS IMMEDIATELY BY COURIER.

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6. REQUEST COMMENT FROM HDQS AND .

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